

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Foster)

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Keith A. Larson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Dakota Central Telecom I (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
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Dated this 5th day of September, 2001.

DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I

By Keith A. Larson
Keith A. Larson

Its: General Manager

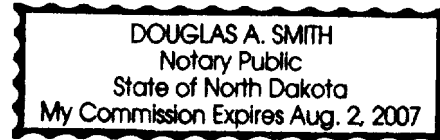
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On this 5th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KEITH A. LARSON, known to me to be the General Manager of DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM I, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Douglas A. Smith
_____, Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: August 2, 2007



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Dated this 5th day of September, 2001.

DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
COOPERATIVE

By Keith A. Larson
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Its: General Manager

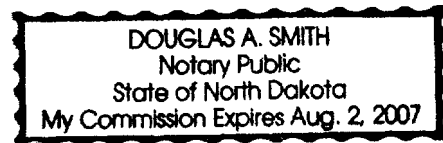
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Douglas A. Smith
_____, Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: August 2, 2007



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AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

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County of Walsh)

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David L. Dunning, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Polar Telecommunications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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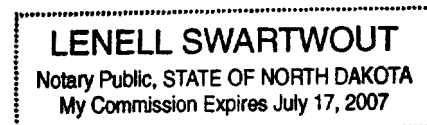
POLAR TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By 
David L. Dunning
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
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_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: _____



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AFFIDAVIT OF POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL AID CORPORATION REGARDING
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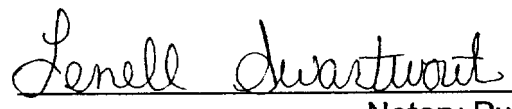
Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL
AID CORPORATION

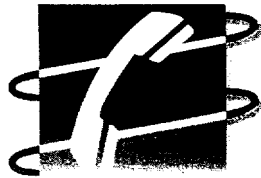
By 
David L. Dunning
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Walsh)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DAVID L. DUNNING, known to me to be the Manager of POLAR COMMUNICATIONS MUTUAL AID CORPORATION, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.


_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: _____

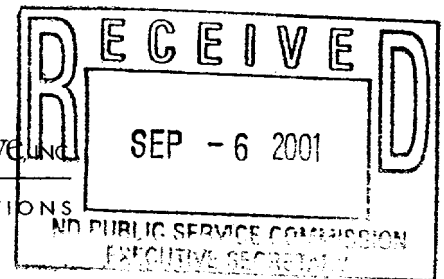
LENELL SWARTWOUT
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
My Commission Expires July 17, 2007



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Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

TOTAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS



**BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO.
PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET
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**AFFIDAVIT OF NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

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Richard J. Thronson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
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Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

NEMONT TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By: 
Richard J. Thronson, General Manager

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 4th day of September, 2001.

Kaylin D. Gunderson
Notary Public in and for the State of Montana.
My Commission Expires: 04/04/04

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Case No. PU-439-01-460

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

AFFIDAVIT
OF
NOONAN FARMERS TELEPHONE COMPANY,
a Cooperative Association

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA)

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COUNTY OF DIVIDE)

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Tom Rowse, being duly sworn upon oath, states as follows:

1. I am the Secretary/Treasurer of Noonan Farmers Telephone Company, a Cooperative Association, and pursuant to Article 6 of the Bylaws of the Noonan Farmers Telephone Company, a Cooperative Association, am a corporate officer.

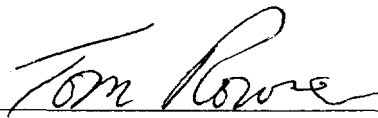
2. I make this affidavit on behalf of Noonan Farmers Telephone Company, a Cooperative Association.

3. Noonan Farmers Telephone Company, a Cooperative Association, is a rural telecommunications carrier providing local exchange service in the State of North Dakota.

4. I hereby certify that pursuant to the provisions of Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, all federal support received by Noonan Farmers Telephone Company, a Cooperative Association is used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

5. This affidavit is made pursuant to the Order of the State of North Dakota Public Service Commission in Case No. PU-439-01-460 for the purpose of certification by the State of North Dakota Public Service Commission to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) pursuant to 47 C.F.R §§54.313 or 54.314.

Dated this 5th day of September, 2001.


TOM ROWSE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of September, 2001.

(SEAL)



CYNTHIA BUMMER

Notary Public

State of North Dakota

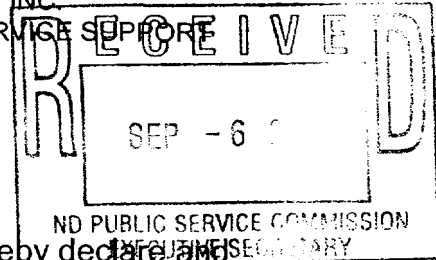
My Comm. expires: 06/04/06

AFFIDAVIT OF MID-RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.
REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

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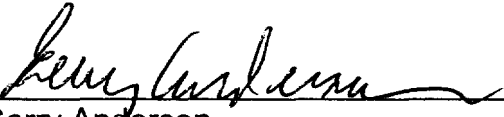
ND PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
by declare and SECRETARY

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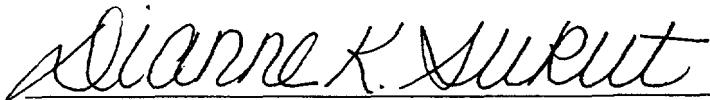
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MID-RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

By 
Gerry Anderson
Its: General Manager

State of Montana)
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County of McCone)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared GERRY ANDERSON, known to me to be the General Manager of MID-RIVERS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.


Notary Public For the State of Montana
My commission expires: January 14, 2004

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AFFIDAVIT OF TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING
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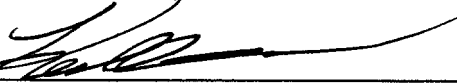
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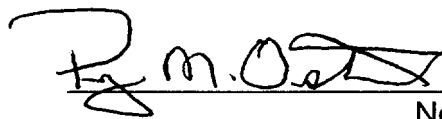
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TURTLE MOUNTAIN
COMMUNICATIONS

By 
Kenneth Carlson
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
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County of Cavalier)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KENNETH CARLSON, known to me to be the Manager of TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: _____

Perry M. Oster
Notary Public, State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires September 14, 2005

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5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice

grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

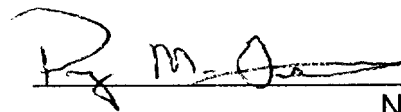
UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL
AID CORPORATION

By


Kenneth Carlson
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Cavalier)

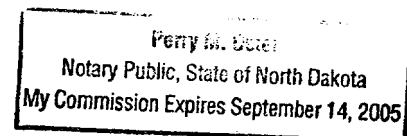
On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KENNETH CARLSON, known to me to be the Manager of UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORPORATION, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



_____, Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: _____



BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

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State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Dickey)

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Darren D. Moser, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Dickey Rural Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice

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Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By [Signature]
Darren D. Moser
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Dickey)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared DARREN D. MOSER, known to me to be the Manager of DICKEY RURAL COMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

LORI A. YOUNG
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
My Commission Expires MAR. 31, 2005

[Signature]
Lori A Young, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: Mar. 31, 2005

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF DICKEY RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Dickey)

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Darren D. Moser, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF CONSOLIDATED TELCOM REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Stark)

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L. Dan Wilhelmson, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Consolidated Telcom (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.

4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.

5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice

grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

CONSOLIDATED TELCOM

By 

L. Dan Wilhelmson

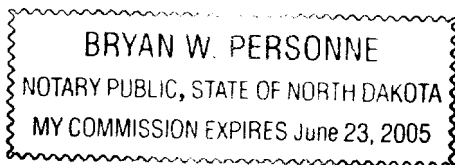
Its: Manager

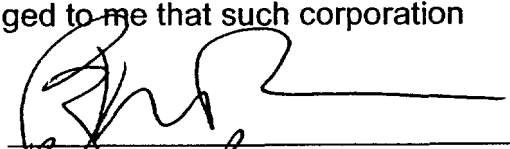
State of North Dakota)

) ss.

County of Stark)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared L. DAN WILHELMSON, known to me to be the Manager of CONSOLIDATED TELCOM, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.




Bryan W. Personne Notary Public

For the State of North Dakota

My commission expires: 6/23/05

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Ward)

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Warren Hight, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by SRT Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.
5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice

grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By [Signature]
Warren Hight
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Ward)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared WARREN HIGHT, known to me to be the Manager of SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

[Signature]
_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 8/23/2003

KIM R. WEYDAHL
Notary Public, State of ND
My Commission Expires Aug. 23, 2003

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Williams)

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Kenneth Lund Jr., being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

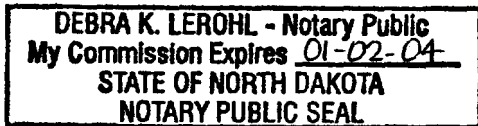
1. Affiant is employed by Northwest Communications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.
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Dated this 4 day of September, 2001.

NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE
By Kenneth Lund Jr.
Kenneth Lund, Jr.
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Williams)

On this 4th day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared KENNETH LUND, JR., known to me to be the Manager of NORTHWEST COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.



Debra K. LeRohl
Debra K. LeRohl, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 01-02-04

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Mountrail)

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Mark Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
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Dated this 1st day of September, 2001.

MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY

By 
Mark Wilhelmi
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Mountrail)

On this 1st day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared MARK WILHELMI, known to me to be the Manager of MIDSTATE TELEPHONE COMPANY, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 2-1-2006

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Mountrail)

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Mark Wilhelmi, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Midstate Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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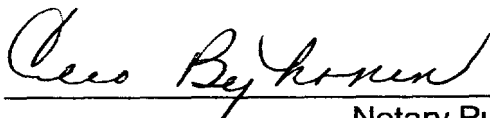
Dated this 1st day of September, 2001.

MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By 
Mark Wilhelmi
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Mountrail)

On this 1st day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared MARK WILHELMI, known to me to be the Manager of MIDSTATE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.


_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 2-1-2006

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

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State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Kidder)

Jerome Tishmack, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by BEK Communications Cooperative (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of Manager.

2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.

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Dated this 4th day of September, 2001.

BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE

By 
Jerome Tishmack
Its: Manager

State of North Dakota)
) ss.
County of Kidder)

On this 4 day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared JEROME TISHMACK, known to me to be the Manager of BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.


_____, Notary Public
For the State of North Dakota
My commission expires: 1-15-2005

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. PU-439-01-460
AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

State of South Dakota)
) ss.
County of Perkins)

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Jerry P. Reisenauer, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by West River Cooperative Telephone Company (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001 in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.
5. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional

equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 31 day of August, 2001.

WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY

By

Jerry P. Reisenauer
Its: General Manager

State of South Dakota)
) ss.
County of Perkins)

On this 31 day of August, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Jerry P. Reisenauer, known to me to be the General Manager of West River Cooperative Telephone Company, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

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, Notary Public

For the State of South Dakota

My commission expires: 6-18-05

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BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO.
PU-439-01-460 AND BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERTS COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE
ASSOCIATION REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL
UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT **RECEIVED**

State of South Dakota)

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)ss.

County of Roberts)

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Pamela Harrington, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon
affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association (hereinafter, to "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. The Company provides local exchange telephone services, including all of the essential services that are included in the federal definition of universal service, to approximately 591 access lines within its established rural service study area, which encompasses access lines in both North and South Dakota. The Company serves approximately 78 lines in North Dakota.
4. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
5. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 CFR 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 CFR 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.

6. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 CFR 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 CFR 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2001.

ROBERTS COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION

By Pamela Harrington
Pamela Harrington
Its General Manager

State of South Dakota))ss.
County of Roberts)

On this 1st day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared PAMELA HARRINGTON, known to me to be the General Manager of ROBERTS COUNTY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

Scott Bortner
Notary Public

My Commission expired: 4-3-2004

**AFFIDAVIT OF RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF
USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

State of South Dakota))ss.
County of Roberts)

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Pamela Harrington, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (hereinafter, the "Company"), in the position of General Manager.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act"), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. The Company provides local exchange telephone services, including all of the essential services that are included in the federal definition of universal service, to approximately 1,564 access lines within its established rural service study area, which encompasses access lines in both North and South Dakota. The Company serves approximately 13 lines in North Dakota.
4. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support that it receives.
5. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order"), as codified in 47 CFR 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 CFR 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Order of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2002, and for all quarters thereafter.

6. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the Support that the Company receives during the four quarters of 2002 (and all quarters thereafter) for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended pursuant to and consistent with Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 CFR 54.7. The Company will use the Support to support the following services, as designated in 47 CFR 54.101, throughout the Company's study area: (a) voice grade access to the public switched network; (b) local usage; (c) dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent; (d) single-party service or its functional equivalent; (e) access to emergency services; (f) access to operator services; (g) access to interexchange service; (h) access to directory assistance; and (i) toll limitation for qualifying low-income consumers.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2001.

RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By Pamela Harrington
Pamela Harrington
Its General Manager

State of South Dakota))ss.
County of Roberts)

On this 1st day of September, 2001, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared PAMELA HARRINGTON, known to me to be the General Manager of RC COMMUNICATIONS, INC., the corporation that is described in and that executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.


Notary Public

My Commission expired: 4-3-2004

**DESIGNATION OF COMMON CARRIERS
AS ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS
CARRIERS (ETC) TO RECEIVE FEDERAL
UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDS PURSUANT
TO THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS
COMMISSION'S FOURTEENTH REPORT
AND ORDER ADOPTING A STATE
CERTIFICATION PROCESS**

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**STATE OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF KING**

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Gene DeJordy of WWC Holding Co., Inc., a subsidiary of Western Wireless Corporation ("Western Wireless"), who on his oath deposed and said:

1. My name is Gene DeJordy. I am employed by Western Wireless in the position of Vice President of Regulatory Affairs. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by Western Wireless and how the Company uses these funds.
2. Western Wireless was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the North Dakota Public Service Commission by order dated December 15, 1999 in Case No. PU-1564-98-428.
3. The Federal Universal Service support funds received by Western Wireless, to the extent any are applied for and received, will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act. These funds will be used to provide the following supported

services as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101 which are available throughout Western Wireless' designated service area.

- (a) voice grade access to the public switched network;
- (b) local usage;
- (c) dual tone multi frequency signaling, or its functional equivalent;
- (d) single party service, or its functional equivalent;
- (e) access to emergency services, including 911 and enhanced 911 service;
- (f) access to operator services;
- (g) access to interexchange service;
- (h) access to directory assistance;
- (i) toll blocking for qualifying low income customers; and
- (j) toll control for qualifying low-income customers.

4. "The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct."

Name

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority,
on this the 13th day of September, 2001.



Notary Public

State of WA

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